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IMPORTANT FROM WASHINGTON.

Passage of the Senate's Treasury Note Bill in the House.

Another Debate in the Senate on the Kansas Question.

Why Confirmation of Clifford to the Supreme Court—The Charges against the Late Clerk of the House—Resignation of Minister Mason, &c.

[Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.]

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

The Senate had an Executive Session to-day, without removing the consideration of the nomination of CLIFFORD to the Supreme Court. The Judiciary Committee have not yet decided it fit to be taken. The President sent in a batch of Foreign appointments.

The Grand Jury of the District are investigating the charges against the late Clerk of the House, relative to the book business, and also relative to the purchase of furniture for the New Hall.

The Standard has received a letter from Mr. MASON, resigning his position as American Minister at Paris. The resignation, however, is in a confidence conspiracy, as it is tendered in response to a party demand intended that it would be accepted.

Mr. MASON embraces the opportunity to complain, with a good deal of feeling, of the treatment he received at the hands of Mr. BUCHANAN. He alleges that his influence with the Virginia Delegation in the Cincinnati Convention was not only serviceable to Mr. BUCHANAN, but that he was promised in return for that long a stay in France as possible, and then the transfer to some other position—a place on the Bench of the Supreme Court in case of a vacancy. These promises have been forgotten.

Mr. MASON'S letter on this subject is long and sharp. S.

[FROM THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

The President to-day nominated to the Senate Mr. HALL, Ex-Member of Congress from Iowa, for Chief-Justice of Nebraska, together with Messrs. KING, WARDEN, MURPHY, ADAMS and others, long ago appointed and heretofore announced for foreign missions.

The Committee on the Judiciary reported back in secret session, but without any recommendation, the President's nomination of THADDEUS SOWNICK to the District-Attorneyship, for the District of New-York, in place of JOHN MCKEON, removed. This gave rise to a discussion involving the merits of some of the features of the late New-York Mayoralty election. The question is not yet decided. Availing themselves of the Congressional holiday recess many members, particularly of the North, are making preparations to leave for home.

The War Department has received dispatches from Colonel LOOMIS, commanding in Florida, giving details of the army operations in capturing the Indians, destroying their depots of supplies, &c. The hiding places of BILLY BOWLEGS has at last been found, and he has received a severe blow by the capture of his women and children. BILLY, it is said, has held a Council, and at the risk of his life entreated the Indians to come in, and only saves it by striking a fellow whenever an opportunity occurs.

The Government is officially advised of the arrival in New-York, of two boxes of fire-arms, a present from Her Britannic Majesty's Government, in return for the arms sent thither in August last.

XXXVth CONGRESS.....First Session.

SENATE.....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

Mr. WILSON introduced a bill to secure to actual settlers the alternate sections of the public lands to be granted to the States for railroad purposes.

Mr. JOHNSON, of Tennessee, introduced a bill to grant every head of a family who is a citizen of the United States, a homestead of 160 acres of land, on conditions of its occupancy and cultivation.

The motion of Mr. SUMNER, a resolution was adopted requesting the President to communicate a record of the proceedings of the several Naval Courts of Inquiry.

On motion of Mr. SEWARD a resolution was adopted directing the Joint Committee on Printing to inquire and report whether any new provisions of law are necessary to secure the faithful performance of the existing contracts which provided for accurate reports of the debates in the two Houses.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the President's Annual Message.

Mr. FESSENDEN said if the election took place in Kansas yesterday, Congressional action on the subject would soon be required—that is, assuming there were no frauds that would vitiate the election. He desired that the decision of the people of the Territory, whether to admit or exclude Slavery, should not be suggested to influence his opinions. Therefore he wished to speak on the subject in advance of any possible knowledge here of the character of the proceedings at that election. He would remark in advance, while he should feel bound to comment on some of the views expressed by Mr. DOUGLAS, he did not desire to read him out of the Democratic Party. But he would say, that a man might by his own voluntary act, either by promoting discord in the party, or by some other means, place himself beyond the pale of the party organization. He hardly thought that the old Democratic Party, as such, were put to the necessity of reading persons out of their organization. If, however, there were any men in the Democratic Party who wished to take a position outside the Party, or who attempted to foment discord in the Party, in return for some fancied grievance in time past, they would do well to remember the fate of every such attempt which had been made from the days of BURR to those of VAN BUREN. He was in favor of admitting Kansas with whatever Constitution she might present here, provided it was Republican in form. The Convention had power to submit the Constitution or withhold it, and were responsible only to the people of Kansas for the manner in which they had exercised that right. He desired to adopt the course productive of the least evil to the greatest number.

Mr. DOUGLAS, in reply said, according to his own showing, Mr. FESSENDEN differed from the President on one point, and yet the Senator from Indiana had charged him with faction. If differing from the President was faction, that Senator had double the amount of faction with himself. He had not become the mere servile tool of any President, so as to feel himself bound to take every recommendation without examining to see whether it met his approbation or not. With regard to harmony in the Democratic Party, he had only to say, that if Democratic Senators and the President would stand by the Cincinnati platform, there would be harmony between them all and himself. He said, "Call it faction—call it what you please—I intend to stand by the Nebraska bill—to stand by the Cincinnati platform, to stand by the organization and principles of the Democratic Party, and I defy opposition from whatever quarter it may come." He predicted, that, before the lapse of sixty days he would be in harmony with those that were now seeking power now to crush him, and the principles of the Nebraska bill in the admission into the Union under a Constitution like the Lecompton Constitution. He believed that Convention to be all a trick and fraud upon the people of the Territory, and without Slavery in the Constitution, and he had strong reasons for so believing. He expected all these attacks upon him. Perhaps his opponents thought their assault would worry him, but he would tell them that if he found his strength failing, he would go off and recruit his energies, and come back and take a rushing fire at the whole of them. [Laughter.]

During a conversational debate between Messrs. DOUGLAS and FITCH, the former, in order to sustain his previous remark that he could not place much confidence in the returns of the election which was held yesterday, said the Convention had declared null and void all the laws punishing fraudulent returns, and stated in addition that two officers of the army who were present in Lecompton at the time, informed him that the very man who was known to have perpetrated the Oxford frauds was elected Clerk of the Convention by acclamation, upon the ground that his services in Johnson County entitled to him such consideration.

Mr. GRAY thought the remarks of Mr. DOUGLAS calculated to do great injustice to the Convention. He read the 12th section of the schedule, in substance that all the officers shall be sworn to a faithful performance of their official duties, and on failure there, of be subject to the same pains and penalties as are provided in like cases under the Territorial laws.

Mr. STUART remarked that it was true the Constitution makes such a provision, but it was equally true that the Acting Governor has said there is no law in Kansas punishing frauds in making returns.

Mr. GRAY inquired whether the *ipse dixit* of the Governor was to prevail over the law.

Mr. DOUGLAS replied that the clause which the Senator from Alabama had read, was in the copy of the Constitution published in the *National Intelligencer*, but in that published in the *Union*, which it is said was furnished by the President, that clause was not to be found. He (DOUGLAS) could not pretend to account for this variance unless the Convention adjourned without putting the Constitution into form, and perhaps the *Intelligencer* was furnished with a revised copy, and the *Union* printed the document as it was before the Convention. Whether so or not, it does not place the matter under the Territorial laws, where there were penalties for fraudulent returns.

Mr. GRAY said that Mr. DOUGLAS was mistaken, for he (GRAY) had read from the schedule as published in the *Union*.

Mr. DOUGLAS promised to look into the matter. If he should discover that he was mistaken, he would publicly acknowledge it.

The further consideration of the subject was then postponed. Adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 22.

The House went into Committee on the Senate Treasury Note bill.

Mr. GROW opposed the sending forth of an irredeemable paper currency. There being nothing in the Treasury to redeem the issue, it would but add to the evils which now prevail. He favored a loan, which would bring forth the twenty millions of coin now in secret recesses unemployed, and waiting for a safe investment.

Mr. SMITH, of Virginia, argued to show that these notes were not in the nature of bank notes. The bills, in effect, proposed a loan. In reply to Mr. GROW, he said that the position of that gentleman was an apt illustration of the old adage that "an apostate Christian is worse than ten Turks." [Laughter.]

Mr. GROW—Do you not consider my views on currency good Democracy?

Mr. SMITH—I congratulate the gentleman on that single remnant of his past Democratic career. [Laughter.]

Mr. GROW—You consider me sound on everything but that the Territories shall be occupied by whites, instead of black men. [Laughter.]

Mr. SMITH—I judge the gentleman's Democracy by his associates.

Mr. RITCHIE—Mr. SMITH having alluded to him, he said the President in his Message merely spoke as to the necessity of a small loan, and of hard money, but the report of the Secretary of the Treasury showed a demand for twenty millions of Treasury notes. Was he justified the other day in saying that there were two sets of Democrats?—one in favor of specie and the other of paper.

Mr. HOUSTON called Mr. RITCHIE to order, the latter continuing to speak excitedly meanwhile, amid much confusion.

Mr. HOUSTON said—I did not hear. I want the gentleman to repeat his threat. [Sensation.]

Mr. RITCHIE—I made none. I only said that I occupied the floor by the courtesy of the gentleman from Virginia, and deny the right of the gentleman from Alabama to call me to order.

Mr. SMITH said the gentleman from Pennsylvania had only made a dig at the Democratic Party. [Laughter.]

Mr. RITCHIE—Is not my inference a fair one?

Mr. SMITH—No! I am surprised that such remarks should come from a statesman from whom we had a right to expect better things. I should like to know what the gentleman from Massachusetts meant the other day, by speaking of the Democracy on the other side of the hall.

Mr. BANKS—The Democracy of the Constitution.

Mr. SMITH—That kind which would let the Union slide, and which seeks equality of the races by abscription. [Laughter on the Democratic side.] and did not the gentleman from Illinois once say that the Constitution was worthless—like rotten rags?

Mr. LOVEJOY—No.

Mr. SMITH—Nor anything like it? [Laughter caused by the peculiar manner of the response.] Then I acknowledge that I have done the gentleman wrong. I am glad that he is sitting under the American flag, and will adhere to the Constitution of his country.

Mr. ADRAIN supported the bill and replied to the objections made against it.

Mr. MORRIS, of Pennsylvania, regarded this measure as an attempt to return to the policy with which the Government commenced—namely, to secure a national currency. He was in favor of a National Bank, with certain restrictions, such as General JACKSON said might be established, and was therefore glad that the President had adopted one of the principles of the old Whig platform.

Mr. GLANCY JONES, having replied to the various objections urged against the bill, showed the necessity of its passage in consequence of commercial revulsions. The mode proposed was the best and least exceptionable form of a loan. The Treasury wanted money at the cheapest possible rates. It was not proposed to issue these notes as currency, as had been charged, but on which to borrow the gold and silver to meet the present exigencies.

The various amendments were then discussed.

Mr. BANKS' proposition to raise an amount not exceeding twenty millions by the issue of stock redeemable in one year was rejected by a vote of 78 against 103.

The Committee then rose.

The Senate bill was passed without amendment—Yeas, 118; Nays, 66.

The House then, by a vote of 97 against 86, passed the Senate joint resolution, that when both Houses adjourn to-morrow, it be till the 4th of January. Adjourned.

Senators Bigler and Douglas on the Kansas Question—The Position of Secretary Cass—The Pacific Railroad—Accommodations in the New Representative Hall, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Dec. 21, 1857.

Mr. DOUGLAS carries too many guns altogether for Mr. BIGLER, who again essayed to-day to answer the able speech of the Senator from Illinois in vindication of the right of self-government in the people of Kansas. The speech which Mr. B. gave us was carefully studied and written. Indeed it is said—and there need be little doubt of the fact—that it had been critically examined and indorsed by the President himself. As an elaboration of the views of the Executive it commanded attention; but as an argument to sustain and defend the policy of forcing Kansas into the Union with a Constitution which the mass of her people repudiate, and against which they are certain to raise the banner of revolution if need be, it was an utter failure. Indeed it was less forcible and statesmanlike than the speech made by the Senator from Missouri on the same side of the question last week.

In the running debate between DOUGLAS and BIGLER which followed, the latter was quite demolished. His friends saw that the Senator from Illinois was plunging him deeper and deeper in the mire at every step, and finally a Southern Senator, in very pity, went around to Mr. BIGLER and drew him off by suggesting that he had better cry quits. Mr. DOUGLAS was never more forcible than to-day in his bold defiance of the attempts which have been made during the last fortnight to read him out of the Democratic Party. He exposed the futility and folly of any such efforts; declared his determination to stand by Democratic principles forever,—and especially by the great principle of "Popular Sovereignty." He showed conclusively that the forcing of Kansas into the Union with the Lecompton Constitution was not a party measure, that the President had nowhere recommended it, and that there was no certainty that he ever would. Bringing Mr. BIGLER to the confessional, and holding him there by a power of will, as irresistible as that of the magnet, he made him admit, over and over again, that even if the President had recommended it, it does not follow that a man is no Democrat because he don't agree with every Presidential recommendation; or that a Democrat is bound to agree with every opinion of the Executive in order to be a good party man. Bigler finally denied that he had attempted to drive any body out of the Democratic Party, and perpetrated a series of blunders in the course of his writhings beneath his Antagonist's keen lash, which would have been ludicrous if less painful.

The Senator from Pennsylvania will doubtless repose henceforth on the myrtle which he has achieved, and JEFFERSON DAVIS may be expected soon to wring his battery forward. Then we shall begin to witness the heat of the battle. But DOUGLAS will be found more powerful on the defensive than he has ever been in leading the assault; and even the keenness and experience of the Senator from Mississippi will be apt to find in him a fair match. The conflict will be an interesting one to the looker-on.

I have heard the inquiry a dozen times of late where General CASS is to be found in this contest, and how it is that he can remain in the Cabinet when his Squatter Sovereignty doctrine is so ruthlessly treated. It is but just to him to say that he does not admit the premises. He reposes upon the doctrine that whatever is done by the Constitutional Convention as the agents of the people, is done by the people themselves and that it is desirable for the public peace that they should be no longer permitted to trifle with the question of a State Government. As a legal proposition, it may be admitted that he and the Administration (for this is precisely the view of them all) are right, and yet the case is not closed against the people of Kansas. The equity of the case is with the people, and as equity is the very basis of all just law, as a Government is bound in caring for its subjects in a disputed case, to secure equity rather than preserve a technicality; in other words, even admitting that the Kansas Convention had the legal right to bind the people to their acts, still, as it is notorious that the people never intended thus to repose their sovereignty in that body, and are now almost unanimous in repudiating their abuse of the power, Congress should check the fraud and vindicate the sovereignty. Neither Mr. GREEN nor Mr. Mr. BIGLER have attempted to deny the fraud, or to argue, directly and explicitly, that a technicality is stronger in its claims upon statesmen, than is the right of the people to govern themselves.

The friends of a Pacific Railroad are again preparing for a vigorous campaign, with hopes of success. In the Senate the measure starts under remarkably favorable auspices. Of the nine members of the Select Committee to whom the subject was referred on motion of Senator GWIN, all but Messrs. HUNTER and IVERSON are in favor of the measure. HUNTER'S objections are based upon constitutional grounds,—but he is not bigoted in regard to this or any other question, and will stoop to no factious opposition when he finds the majority against him. Mr. IVERSON, representing, as he does, the great Railroad State of the South, can hardly be very persistent in hostility to the measure,—and it would not be at all surprising if his objections are eventually overcome. The greatest difficulty will be to get the Committee to agree among themselves as to the *plan* of a bill which shall provide for the construction of the work. Dr. GWIN, the father of the measure, is in favor of a grant of lands and loan of money both,—but he is not wedded to this, and will yield to any modification of his plan which more nearly meets the views of the largest number.

In the House, the project was jeopardised the other day by the injudicious move made in its behalf by Mr. BENNETT, of New-York. He ought to have known that to secure success at this time the movement should come from the Democratic side of the House, and not from a minority member. Besides, no one who was mixed up so deeply with land-grant schemes of last Congress can expect to inspire the House with confidence to follow his lead. I learn that Mr. DAVIS, of Indiana, is to take this subject in hand, and relieve it, if possible, of the prejudice it sustained last week.

The House Committee to whom was confided the duty of inquiring and reporting what accommodations in the new hall ought to be provided for the Press, &c., will, probably, submit the result of their deliberations to-morrow. I understand that they will unanimously report in favor of placing the part of the gallery directly above the Speaker's chair, suitably fitted-up with desks, &c., at the disposal of the unofficial reporters and the correspondents. This is as it should be. Carry out the suggestion, and the regular members of the Profession will not in the future be compelled to share the odium resulting to all, more or less, from the misconduct of the Swiss corps of unauthorized writers for the Press, who have heretofore availed themselves of the privilege of the floor merely to bore members for their votes on behalf of schemes in which they were personally interested, or to acquire a position from which they could work on the fears of claimants before Congress, and so compel them to engage their useless "services." The gallery will soon weed out this class of men, and the profession and the public will be greatly the gainers.

It is amusing to witness the convulsions into which the proposition has thrown a few of those who are to be unfavorably affected thereby. One of them, in the "*Daily Distribe*," urges that he is absolutely essential to the existence of Congress,—that there are not five minutes in the day in which some member of the House does not find it necessary to consult with him,—that to put him "up in a cock-loft" will be simply to force all the House to follow him there. These are not the precise words of our wordy "Editor," but the legitimate inferences of his indignant expostulations. Lest the House should fail to be moved by these weighty considerations, he adds a threat in behalf of "the Press," to the effect that they will "give the members jessie" if they persist in banishing them from the door; or if they conclude to resort to a system of quiet resentment, that they will refuse to go into the cock-loft at all, and will leave the members "unhonored and unsung." Permit me, on behalf of several of the correspondents, to repudiate all this sort of nonsense, and to suggest to the House, that the Senate of the United States, which never admitted the Reporters to the floor, is neither berated nor deserted by that useful class of gentlemen. To hear and witness the proceedings of the House there is no point so favorable as the place proposed to be assigned to the Press; and for any other purpose they can have no legitimate business upon the floor at any time. The result will vindicate the action of the Committee, if it is sustained by the House.

The Committee will further recommend that a certain portion of the Gallery be set apart exclusively to the use of ladies and gentlemen accompanying them, and that another section of it be fitted up handsomely for the exclusive accommodation of the Diplomatic Corps. Take a single step further, gentlemen, and you will have done well—provide a place in the Gallery for Ex-Members of Congress, and thus relieve yourselves of the charge of reserving a monopoly of the lobby for yourselves and your associates. The necessity of adopting some means of excluding this class of lobbyists need not be dwelt upon. Every old member has ample experience of it,—and the new ones will be satisfied of it ere the close of the session, if they are not satisfied already. S.

Political.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES—ELECTION OF DELEGATES TO THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE.—The various Ward Republican Associations met last evening and elected delegates to the Republican Central Committee for 1858. Everything passed off without disturbance, and in a few of the Wards there were two tickets run. We annex the returns as far as learned:

First Ward—R. S. Collins, Dr. M. A. Van Lier, J. P. Bovee, James McKenna, C. P. E. Sneder.

Second Ward—James R. Welch, Thomas D. Gale, Joseph Manning, Michael McGowan, Gilbert E. Pratt.

Third Ward—M. N. Jones, Sheridan Shook, Isaac De Garmo, O. H. Kopp, Emmons Clark.

Fourth Ward—James Kelly, Henry H. Huelat, Dr. Naumann, Herman Geise, Robert Myers.

Fifth Ward—John A. Kennedy, C. C. Nott, James Brett, J. P. Olmstead. One vacancy, a tie occurring between Dr. Kennedy and Stephen Paret. The matter will be settled by the Ward Association, which meets in January.

Sixth Ward—Owen W. Brennan, P. C. Vanwyck, G. W. Williams, G. Hagerty, Robert Irwin.

Eighth Ward—Andrew Bleakley, E. A. Mayereau, A. H. Stoutenburgh, John J. Silcock, William H. Albertson.

Fourteenth Ward—John Finch, Thomas Bennett, Thomas G. Baker, Benjamin W. Richards, Adolphus Borst.

Fifteenth Ward—Charles A. Dana, Charles Chesney, John L. Taylor, H. T. Cleveland, Alanson S. Jones.

Seventeenth Ward—A. J. Hildenbocker, William C. Marshall, James Peckham, William A. Smalley, Frederick Ormeland.

NEW-ENGLAND SOCIETY OF NEW-YORK.

FIFTY-SECOND ANNIVERSARY BANQUET.

Yesterday was Forefathers' day, 237th anniversary of the Pilgrims' landing at Plymouth.

The New-England Society held its annual meeting at noon in the Astor House. WM. CRAUTSUR, Esq., was elected Secretary. The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of $2,144. WM. CURTIS NOYES, Esq., of the Charity Committee, reported 164 relieved, of whom 133 were women, and $3,340 expended for the purpose. He recommended that instead of $1 50, the annual dues of members hereafter should be $3, which was unanimously adopted. On balloting for new officers, 27 votes were cast, and the following elected:

President—Benjamin W. Bonney.

Vice-Presidents—William M. Evarts.

Second Vice-President—Henry A. Huthsteiner.

Corresponding Secretary—Charles A. Dewey, Silas M. Stilwell.

Recording Secretary—Edward F. Underhill.

Assistant Corresponding Secretaries—Moses H. Grinnell, George W. Stephenson, Roswell P. Lockwood, Edwin F. Brown, D. D. Lockwood, Wm. N. Blakeman, M. D., Chas. H. Leonard, S. M. Hitchcock.

Treasurer—Luther B. Wyman.

Secretary—L. P. Hubbard.

The company, which numbered about two hundred and fifty gentlemen, comprised as large a representation of the wealth, enterprise and intellect of this City as might be found in any assemblage of equal extent ever convened within it for a merely festive or commemorative purpose.

The chair was occupied by BENJAMIN W. BONNEY, the President. On either side of him were the invited guests, among whom were Rev. Henry Ward Beecher, Rev. R. S. Storrs, Rev. Dr. Osgood, Mr. Gulian C. Verplanck of the St. Nicholas Society, Mr. S. Croakes of the St. George's, Judge R. O'Connor of the St. Patrick's, Mr. Adam Norrie of the St. Andrews, Mr. Joachimsen of the Hebrew's, Mr. Garrissue of the German, Capt. Hudson of the *Niagara*, Hon. Augustus Schell, Gen. Watson Webb, Mr. Matthew Hale Smith, Major Cady, Preston King, J. H. Raymond, LL. D., Wm. M. Evarts, Esq., Mr. E. D. Morgan, Mr. Charles Mackay, Mr. Simeon W. Draper, Joseph Hoxie, &c., &c.

The three lower tables were presided over by the Vice-Presidents, M. H. GRINNELL, L. B. WYMAN and Dr. PERRY. The draperies over the President's table were surmounted by portraits of WASHINGTON, FRANKLIN and ADAMS. A variety of elaborate and appropriate ornaments in pastry decorated the board, on which was spread an entertainment that would doubtless have excited the amazement of the Pilgrims in whose honor it was held.

Rev. Dr. STORRS invoked the blessing, and Rev. Dr. OSGOOD returned thanks.

On the removal of the cloth, the President proposed, in the following order, the

REGULAR TOASTS:

1. *The Day we Celebrate*—May the Sun of Liberty which on that day rose ever shed its glad light upon the descendants of the men who greeted its morning rays.

2. *The President of the United States.*

3. *The Governor of the State of New-York.*

4. *The City of New-York*—The generous and ample home of enterprise and energy, of whatever tongue or kindred; the jeweled clasp in the golden girdle of commerce that surrounds the world.

5. *The Army and Navy of the United States*—By land and sea the strength and the defence of a free people.

6. *The Orator of the Day*—A master builder in the structure of the Christian Commonwealth of which our fathers laid the sure foundations.

7. *The clergy of New-England*—The brave and faithful leaders of the people in every good work and aim. Ever cheering and ennobling the life that now is by the illumination drawn from the life that is to come.

8. *The Common Schools of New-England*—As the child is father of the man, so are the free schools of New-England the parents of the free principles and the free institutions of our country.

9. *The Mayflower Constitution*—The primitive written compact of civil Government—as a complete and perfect testimony that "the authority of all Government rests on the consent of the governed," it bears the signature of every member of the community it was framed for. May their descendants now and ever cherish and defend this vital principle of civil liberty.

10. *The Press*—The Free Press: If it serve truth and justice, it will be master of all else.

11. *Our Sister Societies*—Cheering companions in the charities of the year, and welcome guests at our annual festivities.

12. *The Bench and the Bar of New-England*—Learned and eloquent for the maintenance of private rights and for the service of the State—zealous alike for public liberty and for general justice; for where there is no liberty there can be no justice; where there is no justice there can be no liberty.

13. *The Women of New-England*—Their virtue and grace supported our fathers in every gloom and disaster, and chasten and embellish the abundant prosperity and glory of the later times.

The President, as introduction to the toasts, returned his thanks to the Society for the renewed expression of their confidence exhibited in his reelection to the office of President. Financially the Society had not retrograded. The fund invested at interest had not only not been diminished, but a little increase, whilst the members had considerably increased. The expenditures for the past year had been double that of any previous period of the same extent, and this extra expenditure had been met by voluntary donations of members, who had also voluntarily resolved to double their annual contributions. Again thanking the Society for the honor conferred upon him,

The President proposed the first regular toast:

The Day we Celebrate.

This was honored with loud applause, the guests standing.

The second toast,

The President of the United States,

was received with a similar manifestation of approval.

In response, the following letter was read by Hon. E. D. MORGAN:

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 19, 1857.

SIR: I have had the honor to receive your invitation on behalf of the Committee of Arrangements of the "New-England Society of the City of New-York," to be present at their anniversary dinner on the 22d inst., at the Astor House, and should most gladly be with you on this interesting occasion, were it in my power. I regret, however, that my public duties render this impossible.

Very respectfully,

JAMES BUCHANAN.

E. D. MORGAN, Esq., New-York City.

The third toast,

The Governor of the State of New-York,

was responded to by Dr. KING, President of Columbia College. It was not an easy thing, he said, under the circumstances in which he stood, to speak fittingly to such a toast. Were he to speak of the Governor of this State as a brother's heart would dictate, he would perhaps violate good taste, but not the truth, for that brother was a man without blemish and without reproach; and he (the speaker) ventured to assume that of Gov. KING, it would be said at the close of his executive career, "Thou hast been a man, honest, faithful and true." [Applause.] He claimed for New-York preeminently that she was a Union-loving, and a liberty-loving State, commingling in itself the combined influences of the blood of Holland and of New-England. It was something to boast of to have such forefathers, whose legacies to us were the fear of God and the love of Liberty. As an illustration of the growth of New-York within 100 years, and of the singular conciseness of style which prevailed in the newspapers so long ago, President KING read the following newspaper extracts: "March 23, 1758—Killing and scalping at the German Flats by the French and the Indians." "The," he said, was all: no large capitals; no points of admiration; no melodramatic exclamations about the widows and the orphans, and the burning farm-houses, and the fugitives escaping by the light of the fires; but simply "Killing and scalping at the German flats by the French and Indians." These German flats are now the most beautiful and fertile valley of the Mohawk. Next again, on April 17, 1758, the following announcement which comes nearer home, appeared: "Indians caught and escaped between Saratoga and Fort Edwards." What did they think of that? Young ladies, young gentlemen, old ladies, old gentlemen,—everybody but an invalid—went to Saratoga now to seek health every year, and none of them all ever dreamed of meeting an Indian, much less of losing a scalp. And yet, one hundred years ago, nothing was more common. [Applause.] In conclusion the speaker, after complimenting Dr. BRASS, the orator of the previous evening, proposed the following toast:

The Oak-Tree of New-England—Transplanted from its rugged soil, it finds congenial elements and fitting nurture and welcome companionship on the soil of New-York. (Great cheering.)

The Chairman of the Committee on Invitations read the subjoined letter from Gov. KING, himself:

ASTOR HOUSE, Dec. 19, 1857.

DEAR SIR: I have to express my very sincere regret that my duties here at this period of the year will not permit me to avail myself of the invitation of the New-England Society, to attend their anniversary dinner on the 22d inst. I withheld a reply in the hope that I might be able to accept the invitation, which is my apology for the delay which has occurred in transmitting it, in conformity with the request of the Committee of Arrangements. I assure the Society that I appreciate fully this renewed mark of their consideration, and am greatly disappointed that I cannot be present on an occasion so full of interest to every son and descendant of New-England. With sincere regret, very truly yours,

JOHN A. KING.

To Hon. E. D. MORGAN, Chairman, &c.

To the next toast, that of *New-York City*, Rev. Dr. OSGOOD responded. He repudiated any intention of responding on behalf of New-York in either a political or financial point of view, and took particular pains to disclaim any desire of responding on behalf of that portion of it confined within the limits of the City Hall. He eulogized it for its liberal sentiment, and paid a passing compliment not only to the representatives of each of the benevolent societies present, but to the institutions of which each was the agent, in particular, he complimented New-York as the first that, if not only tolerated Jews—(for the idea of toleration presupposed the right to be tolerated)—but chartered for it the highest boast of praise as recognizing freedom of belief to them as to all. He concluded by proposing the following sentiment:

The healthful Jobs Lutzow Motto—The first liberties of the liberties of Holland and of the founders of this great City of New-Amsterdam. [Loud applause.]

The sixth toast—*The Army and Navy of the United States*—was received with repeated cheers.

Capt. HUDSON, of the United States frigate *Niagara*, responded. He confessed his utter inability to say anything he should say on this occasion. The fact, he said, was, that he had been so long wire-pulling and wire-laying—(he believed we understood that in the City of New-York)—that he had forgotten almost how to make a speech. He expressed his belief that the Army and Navy would always be found discharging their duty to their country, and alluded to the character of his reception in England, of whose sovereign and people he spoke in terms of the warmest praise. He proposed:

Our Pilgrim Fathers—The forlorn hope of political and religious liberty, who, cut adrift from their moorings at home, and friends, in a cock-boat, found a new world and bequeathed to coming generations all the blessings we now enjoy as a nation.

[Drunk with all the honors.]

The next toast, the *Clergy of New-England*, was received with characteristic enthusiasm. Rev. HENRY WARD BEECHER was called on for a response. The only other time, he said, which was about four years ago, that he had had the privilege of meeting with this Society, he was appointed to speak to the same toast; and he judged, as he was again this evening appointed to the same topic, that he did not do it justice before, and had an opportunity now of review. [Cheers and laughter.] It was not, either, a matter without significance that the order of arrangement had been changed to-night. As it was down in the bill, (and he had the privilege of overseeing what was done here,) it was to have come one remove from "The Army and the Navy," but as soon as the President saw who was to speak, he had put him (Mr. BEECHER) close up to the "Army and the Navy," thinking perhaps that he was well adapted to carry out the spirit of both of those institutions in a speech in response to the toast of "The Clergy." [Laughter.] And really, if he were to speak fittingly of New-England, and of her clergy, and especially in the largest sense, he ought to be somewhat a man of war, for they were men who never had failed to do battle, and however ungracious their mode of fighting might seem to those who stood without, it was generally the most effective by those who felt the blows. The clergy of New-England now included [illegible] many more than those which we usually designate as Puritans. He apprehended, however, the spirit of the toast to mean the old Puritan clergy of New-England—(cheers)—not leaving out of the account those who have developed later, but speaking rather historically of the old-fashioned New-England clergyman. And in speaking of him we must look at him a moment before he came there, for he was a very different creature from those born in the ecclesiastical character that had preceded the Puritan settlement. He thought that about the time of the development of the Puritan movement, there had been a growth of things in the world. Under the Divine Providence there had been a tree growing, a branch growing, a leaf growing, a flower growing, and by-and-by when God said "Blossom," the Puritans came, and they were the blossom of ages! [Cheers.] Although there were a great many things included in that movement, he looked upon it simply as one of this kind: the assertion of a large body of men found in some degree in every nation—found in larger numbers in Western nations than anywhere else. It was the development of an aspiration for a larger manhood than had been permitted to the mass of men under any arrangement before. And this he took to be the philosophical key of that movement: aspiration after manhood—development, in one way in respect to the civil [illegible] in one way in respect to ecclesiastical matters, in one way in respect to social and domestic matters—and in all of them it was the rising up of the world at that time and the claiming, not as a privilege, but as a right from God, the right to be all that a man could be with the capital that God put in him when he set him up in business. [Cheers.] In the assertion of this right it very soon began to be thought dangerous on the part of the King, that men should be as large as they could be. The Puritan did not demand anything from the State. He simply asked liberty in his own sphere to be himself, and they accordingly accounted him to be too strong for the integrity of the State. The churchman asked the same privilege, but it was denied. Then manhood became antagonistic to both Church and State, and they began to battle. And the Puritan would have been half a man if he had not fought when he was struck. [Cheers.] Those who carried on the contest were men who carried it on with their eyes fixed on this one central thought: the right of men in the Church, in the State, every growth of society, to be natural and total man. This was the key, he thought, to the explanation of the whole Puritan character. It was thought that the Puritan was a man whose face always looked as they looked in the pictures in the old catechisms. He hoped not. [Laughter and cheers.] It must have given the portrait painter the lock-jaw to have drawn such a portrait. It certainly made his face ache to look at them. But if we observed, though they looked exceedingly grim and very sharp with doctrine, though the lines on the faces of those old Puritans were anything but lines of beauty, yet we looked in vain for a small face among them. They were sharp-faced, but never small. The head was long and significant; the mouth was generally significant and firm, the chin ponderous, and the jaw not unworthy of the chin, and the forehead hardly judging from such part of it as the cowl or cap would let be seen. Just in proportion as the line of beauty was wanting was the line of strength developed. And hence he thought that the picture and the man agreed. The Puritan element and the Puritan Church had, time out of mind, been defined as being sullen, ascetic, unsociable enemies of grace, of pastime, of pleasure. He declared that this was a [illegible] idea was false. They did, to be sure, take sides against pastimes and pleasures, but up to their own pleasures and pastimes had been in the hands of kings and rulers, who said to the people: "Do you pray and we will govern." And the people prayed. But the ministry, and all men who had men's feelings in them, said: "It is better that the people should have these accursed pastimes knocked from under them, and be taught sober things, learned to make their own laws and to conduct their own affairs, and when place and power came from tyranny, to spurn it!" [Cheers.] And so would he and so would we all under such circumstances. Very likely this was carried too far. But when men were driven by the force of the storm, it was not always for them to say how far they would go or how fast they would go in this or that direction. They became iconoclasts simply because when they discovered that art had been used as a bribe by the kingly hand to take away their sacred rights, they battered down the cathedral, and they broke down the window. And he would do the same, if there were a question with him, as it had been with them, whether God's pictures should come out in the human heart or man's pictures should idly hang upon senseless walls. [Cheers.] He did not pretend to say that that had not been carried beyond measure, but he did pretend to say that when God Almighty made swells in the history of the nations men were pitched further up by the breakers than they had intended or wished to go. [Cheers.] Now, was there a body of men to whose work committed so unreservedly the framing of a community, as the Puritan clergymen of England; and how had they done their work? What, he asked, was the State of the common Schools, of the family, of the Church in New-England? And, what was above all, the school family and Church—what was the condition of the people in old New-England which the clergy had made? That was the question to put them. Look at what they did and judge of their works. We wanted no better. Certainly we had not got so good now. [Cheers.] He regarded it as a Supreme [illegible] impertinence for any man to ask him, did the old New-England ministers ever introduce secular topics into the pulpit. Let him take any topic that related to the brotherhood of mankind, and clothe it into the purest and most accessible it to the elevated [illegible] that manhood, and the principles into the pulpit, and he would be considered from reverberating. It became [illegible] religious [illegible] Contrary

Mr. D. Morgan, Esq., Chairman, &c.

DEAR SIR: Circumstances beyond my control compel me to be absent from the Anniversary Dinner of the New-England Society, to which you have kindly invited me.

This is a time when we are all summoned to return to first principles, so gloriously associated with the early annals of the revolutionary history of New-England, as the forefathers' day. It is meet, therefore, that we should [illegible] which have the Pilgrims to the shores of New-England. It may be truly said that the Pilgrims were freighted with the liberties of the world. On board that immortal vessel was framed the social compact basing all human government on the consent of the governed, and carrying into execution by the choice of their rulers by their own vote. As your fathers landed on your rock-bound shores, there dawned the first faint glimmering of the great principle of self-government, which rose upon an unenfranchised humanity, in all its meridian splendor, on the 4th of July, 1776. That great principle of self-government is about being subjected to a fearful test, perhaps, a final test in an unfortunate territory. If this principle can be solved there, and such an act ratified by Congress, the Pilgrim Fathers will have handed to each one of the sons of New-England [illegible] to vote upon the [illegible] promulgated in the Declaration of American Independence, and the blood of the Revolution have been wasted on a soil whose military and [illegible] public power would soon resume their sway, and our suicide the freedom of our country and the world forever sunk, with its last "bubbling cry," into a great deep where it should remain until "the sea give up their dead," and man shall answer for his actions, at the dread judgment-seat of his Creator.

As a Pennsylvanian, I have no claim by birth or history on New-England, and presume that for this kind invitation to your anniversary dinner I am indebted to my wife, who is a descendant of the Hon. Sir Benton printer [illegible] Benjamin Franklin, whose principles and virtues I have endeavored to inculcate in my children.

In closing this letter, permit me to transmit for the action the following sentiment:

Self-Government—Whenever it [illegible] to endanger the Union, let every son of New-England, wherever resident, rise as one man to the rescue.

Most respectfully, your obedient servant,

HENRY A. WISE.

WASHINGTON CITY, Saturday, Dec. 19, 1857.

DEAR SIR: Accept my thanks for your polite invitation on behalf of the New-England Society of the City of New-York to be present and participate in the festivities of the occasion on the 22d inst.

It affords me great pleasure to be able to accept your invitation.

I have the honor to be, very truly, your obedient servant,

E. L. DOUGL

ARRIVAL OF THE ARCTIC.

From Our Own Correspondent.

CHANNEL, Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1857.

The mail steamer Arctic, Capt. Luce, from New-York on the 2d inst., arrived at Liverpool at 10 A. M. to-day.

Her advices were received by the Cunard steamer Persia, which left Liverpool at 3:10 A. M. to-day, and reached Queenstown at 2 P. M., and by the Galway steamer, which left Liverpool at 4 P. M. to-day, and reached Queenstown at 10 P. M.

The Persia's advices were received in London at 5:30 P. M., and the Galway's at 6:45 P. M.

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POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

The Confidence Game—A Canadian Revisits the Victim.

Mr. James Irwin, a young wheelwright, about 20 years of age, from Hamilton, Canada, arrived in this city on Friday, and stopped at the St. Nicholas Hotel. He had been out of health some time, and was advised by his physician to spend the Winter in Florida. He gathered his carriage together, and started on his intended trip. He was to take the steamer for Charleston, S. C., on the 2 P.M. on Saturday.

On Friday morning, while walking down Broadway, he was accosted by a man who introduced himself as Mr. Wm. Edwards, of Hamilton, Canada. This gentleman was also going to take the steamer for Charleston, and the two were soon engaged in conversation, when they entered a restaurant and took lunch together. The gentleman then invited Mr. Irwin to go with him to Brooklyn, as he had some business to attend to there. They accordingly went over in a car, and on the way Mr. Edwards informed Mr. Irwin that he had been out of employment for some time, and was in need of money. He had a draft for $1,000 on Canada, which he wished to get cashed, and asked Mr. Irwin if he could not do it for him. Mr. Irwin replied that he had not the money with him, but would be happy to oblige him if he could. Mr. Edwards then said that he would give him a check for the amount, and Mr. Irwin could get the money at the bank. Mr. Irwin consented, and Mr. Edwards wrote out a check for $1,000, and signed it "Wm. Edwards." Mr. Irwin then went to the bank, and presented the check, but was informed that there was no such person as Wm. Edwards known there, and that the check was worthless. He then returned to the restaurant where he had left Edwards, but could not find him. He then went to the St. Nicholas Hotel, and found that Edwards had left for Charleston in the steamer. He then went to the steamer, and found Edwards on board. He had him arrested, and he was taken before Justice Dowling, in the Tombs Police Court, on Saturday afternoon, and committed to prison in default of bail.

Two Women Assaulted.

On Saturday evening, about 6 o'clock, Mrs. Mary Ann Hogan, residing at No. 7 Mott street, was passing through Baxter street, when she was assaulted by a woman named Mary Ann Hogan, who struck her a violent blow on the face with her fist, knocking her down. Mrs. Hogan was taken to the Police Station-house, where she made a complaint against her assailant, who was locked up to answer.

Mrs. Mary Ann Hogan, residing at No. 7 Mott street, was arrested on Saturday evening, on the complaint of Mrs. Mary Ann Hogan, residing at No. 7 Mott street, who charged her with having assaulted her in the street. Mrs. Hogan was taken to the Police Station-house, where she was locked up to answer.

Drunk at a Stationhouse.

Robert Nelson, a sailor, was arrested on Saturday night, charged with being drunk and disorderly at the Police Station-house, in Jefferson market. He was locked up in the Tombs to answer.

Fell Into the Cellarway.

Jane Rogers, a colored woman, residing at No. 5 Cherry street, was arrested on Saturday night, charged with having fallen into the cellarway of the premises No. 5 Cherry street, and injured herself. She was taken to the Police Station-house, where she was locked up to answer a charge of grand larceny.

Robbing a Saloon.

Thomas Murray, a sailor belonging on board of an American ship, was arrested on Monday night, charged with having entered the saloon of Mrs. Christina Wahle, No. 5 Cherry street, and stolen therefrom $30 in money. The money was found on the person of the prisoner, who was locked up in the Tombs by Justice Welsh to answer.

Drunk at a Stationhouse.

Thomas Burke, a sailor, was arrested on Monday night, charged with being drunk and disorderly at the Police Station-house, in Jefferson market. He was locked up in the Tombs by Justice Welsh to answer.

Obituary.

Capt. Reuben Butterfield, the oldest surviving settler of Bergen, Hudson county, died on the 1st inst., aged 92 years. He was a native of Connecticut, and settled in a wilderness. There was no mill within fifteen miles, the nearest settlement twenty miles off.

Silas Comfort, who has followed the great trade of Maiden-lane for more than forty years, has just died from the effects of burns received some time since by the explosion of a lamp filled with burning fluid. He was 70 years of age.

An old sailor, Thomas Penny, who for the last few years has been employed as a watchman, died in the Naval Hospital, at Philadelphia, on Tuesday, aged 81.

Wm. D. Champlin, comedian, died recently in Rumney, N. H., aged 70. He was born in Newport, R. I., and at the American Theatre, Boston, in 1796.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvanus Howe died recently at Jamestown, N. Y., aged respectively 97 and 99; they had been married 75 years.

The following State officers of Alabama have been unanimously reelected by the Legislature: Gen. R. Weaver, Secretary of State; William J. Grenet, Treasurer; Gen. Thomas H. Watts, Attorney-General; William F. Perry, State Superintendent of Education.

MARKET REPORTS.

Markets ... Carefully reported for New-York Times.

New-York, Tuesday, Dec. 31, 1867—5 P.M.

ASHES—Pots, $8 a $8 12½; Pearls, $9 a $9 50.

COFFEE—The market is quiet but firm, with sales of 1,700 bags Rio, in lots, at 15½c. gold, and 1,000 bags Rio, 7,000 bags Java, and 500 bags Maracaibo, in bond, at 15c. gold.

COTTON—The market is unsettled and unsettled. Sales small lots have been disposed of at about 36½c. for middling Uplands, and superior grades have been in demand at 37c. a 37½c. Receipts of the week, 1,000 bales. Exports to Liverpool, 1,000 bales. The following are the prices for each parcels as buyers require:

New-Orleans Cotton Statement, Dec. 31.

Stock on hand and cleared, Dec. 14	37,000
Received to date	2,000
Total	39,000
Exported to date	17,000
Stock on hand Sept. 1, 1867	22,000
Arrived since	1,000
Total	23,000

DYEWOODS—The market is dull, and buyers and sellers are apart. Quotations are unchanged. Fustic, $30 a $40 for Cuba; $35 a $40 for Jamaica; Logwood, $30 a $35 for Campeachy, $30 a $35 for Honduras; Peachwood, $60 a $65; Camwood, $100 a $110; Barwood, $60 a $65; Sapanwood, $60 a $65; Redwood, $60 a $65; Ebony, $60 a $65; Lignum Vitæ, $60 a $65; Rosewood, $60 a $65; Satin

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NEW HAVEN-YONAH VENTURE.

PUBLISHED WEDNESDAY, DEC. 25, 1867.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Considerable darkness of interior consequence was transacted yesterday in the Court of General Sessions, before Judge Barrett and Recorder James J. Bowery, after the Christmas recess. Mr. Wilson, the District-Attorney, was absent on account of illness, and his duties were performed by Mr. Peckham, his assistant. In the forenoon, the Grand Jury, which had been in session a week, presented a number of indictments, and were discharged. The Court-House was then closed for the day. In the afternoon, the Court-House was opened, and the trial of Patrick Flynn, for the murder of Thomas Hogan, was resumed. Mr. Peckham, the District-Attorney, addressed the jury for the prosecution, and was followed by Mr. Bowery, for the defense. The case was then given to the jury, and they were not heard from for some time. At a late hour last night, the Court-House was closed, and the jury locked up for the night. They had not agreed upon a verdict at the hour of adjournment.

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The Police Commissioners met yesterday, and appointed Captain Dayton, of the Fifth Precinct, a Roundsman, and Captain Alexander, of the Eighth Precinct, a Roundsman. Captain Dayton was appointed to fill a vacancy, and Captain Alexander to fill a new office created by the Legislature.

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WANTED.—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman, in first-rate cook; has no objection to assist in the washing and ironing. Call at No. 228 East 13th-st., near the corner of City Hall-place. Can be seen for two days, as No. 36 Hanover-st., ground floor, back room.

WANTED.—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman, as first-rate cook; has no objection to understand washing and ironing; will go to go a short distance in the country. Good City reference. Can be seen for two days, at No. 36 Hanover-st., ground floor, back room.

WANTED.—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE young woman, as first-rate cook; has no objection to assist in the washing and ironing. Call at No. 228 East 13th-st., near the corner of City Hall-place. Can be seen for two days, as No. 36 Hanover-st., ground floor, back room.

WANTED.—A SITUATION BY A MIDDLE-AGED Scotch woman, to do general housework or plain cooking; willing to make herself generally useful. Apply at No. 249 26th-st., between 6th and 7th-avs., back basement. Can be seen for three days.

WANTED.—A SITUATION BY A STEADY, HONest man, with undoubted reference, in City or country; can do all kinds of farm work; understands well the management of horses or cows; would like no objection for the Winter months. Apply at No. 307 Bowery for two days.

WANTED.—SITUATIONS BY THREE PROTESTant young women; one as cook, washer and ironer; one as chambermaid and waiter, or laundress; one as nurse and seamstress; also, by three very nice colored young women. Apply at No. 7 11th-st., near Broadway.

WANTED.—A COACHMAN WANTS A SITUAtion who thoroughly understands his business in all its branches. Good City reference. Has no objection to go to any part of the United States, and would make himself useful in any way who may engage him. Address G. B., No. 37 10th-st., corner of 3d-av.

WANTED.—A RESPECTABLE YOUNG WOMAN, who can give the very best of City recommendations, desires a situation to do general housework. Can be seen at No. 324 West 24th-st., until next Wednesday afternoon.

WANTED.—BY A HIGHLY RESPECTABLE Protestant young woman a situation to travel to any part of the United States or Europe, as nurse or to attend an invalid lady; is kind and obliging, and highly recommended. Call for two days at No. 171 East 35th-st.

WANTED.—BY A PROTESTANT GIRL, A SITuation as chambermaid and waitress. Would have no objections to do the housework of a small family. Is a good baker. Can procure the best of City reference. Apply at No. 347 27th-st., near 8th-av.

WANTED.—SITUATIONS BY THREE PROTESTant young women; one as chambermaid and waiter; one as cook; one as nurse and seamstress; one to do general housework. Also, by four very nice colored women. Apply at No. 7 11th-st., near Broadway.

WANTED.—A HEALTHY, RESPECTABLE PROTestant woman, who has just lost her babe, would like to nurse a child, either at home or at the parents' residence. Good references given.
MRS. McLELLAN, No. 114 Madison-st.

WANTED.—BY A PROTESTANT YOUNG MAN, employment on a farm; understands all kinds of farm-work; is a first-rate teamster. No objection to any part of the country. Call, or address, J. H., No. 231 Greenwich-st., for 3 days.

WANTED.—TWO NORTH OF IRELAND, PROtestant girls want situations, one as chambermaid and sewing, or nurse, the other as chambermaid or laundress, or waiting; no objection to go a short distance in the country. Best of City reference. Call at No. 141 East 22d-st., between 2d and 3d avs.

WANTED.—BY A PROTESTANT YOUNG MAN, employment on a farm; understands all kinds of farm-work, is a first-rate teamster, no objection to any part of the country. Call, or address J. H., No. 231 Greenwich-st., for three days.

WANTED.—A SITUATION AS NURSE AND seamstress, by a respectable girl a native of the West Indies; can tend an infant from its birth, and do chamberwork, if required; understands the duties of housekeeper. Call at No. 444 6th-av., corner 27th-st.

WANTED.—A SITUATION AS A GOOD COOK, and to wash and iron, by a very competent woman, with good City reference. Can make pastry, cook game, soups, pastry and bread. Can be seen during two days at No. 90 12th-st., west of 5th-av.

WANTED.—A SITUATION, AS AN EXPERIENCED nurse and seamstress, by a very competent girl, who can tend an infant from its birth; would travel with a lady. Call at No. 141 Amity-st., corner 6th av.

WANTED.—BY A SCOTCH PROTESTANT WOman, a situation as cook; would assist in washing. Good City reference. Call at No. 127 West 24th-st., first floor.

WANTED.—A SITUATION, BY A DUTCH GIRL, to go into the country to do general housework in a private family. Apply to Miss SMITH, Dressmaker, Canal-st., second landing, Staten Island.

WANTED.—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTANT girl, a situation as nurse, or to do the chamber-work and waiting of a small family. Apply at No. 112 West 20th-st.

WANTED.—A SITUATION BY AN AGED SCOTCH lady, to do general housework, and plain cook in a private family. Apply at No. 249 in West 35th-st., in back basement, for three days.

WANTED.—A SITUATION AS COOK, BY A RESpectable Protestant girl, with good City reference. Inquire, for two days, at No. 194 10th-st.

WANTED.—A MEMBER OF THE BAR WISHES A clerkship in a lawyer's office. Address EGO, Times office.

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MOUNT WASHINGTON COLLEGIATE INSTITUTE.—No. 218 4th-st., corner of Macdougal-st., opened its fifteenth school-year on Monday, Sept. 14.
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NOTICE.—TWO EXCELLENT GERMAN VIOLINS for sale, at No. 6 Union-st. Ask for Mr. VALENTINE.

DANCING SCHOOL FOR SALE.—AT PRESent in successful operation, and will be sold at a bargain. Apply at 49 Bond-st.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

DONATION VISIT TO THE REV. JAMES FARE, of the Fifth Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn, on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, at 7½ o'clock. Members of the congregation and friends generally are invited to be present, and bring with them a donation for the pastor.

THE LADIES OF DR. ROWLAND'S CHURCH, Brooklyn, will hold a FAIR FOR THE SALE OF FANCY ARTICLES, &c., on CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24, at the house of Mrs. Gould H. Stagg, 17 Columbia-st., near Fulton-ferry. Tickets 25 cents. Children half price. Tickets for sale at the door of the Church.

LADIES' FAIR.—THE LADIES OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, corner of 2d-st. and 4th-av., will hold a FAIR, commencing on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, and continuing every evening, Dec. 25 excepted, for one week, for the benefit of their church. Refreshments will be for sale. Choice confectionery, fancy articles and needle and fancy work will be for sale. Tickets for admission 25 cents. Children half price. Tickets for sale at the door.

NOTICE.—THE FIRST COLORED AMERICAN Congregational Church, in 5th-st., near Sixth-ave., by Tyrone perished, has walked with the Lord Reformed Church, of which Rev. Thomas E. Mallory is pastor.
Rev. L. THRASH, Chairman.
T. C. CARPENTER, Secretary.

REGULAR MONTHLY CONFERENCE OF THE REGULAR ASSOCIATION OF THE CHURCHES OF BROOKLYN.—The Committee appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the expediency of holding a monthly conference, having been charged with the duty of selecting the subjects for discussion, and having duly considered the matter submitted to them, would respectfully submit the following:
In selecting names to propose for the consideration of the Conference, the Committee have been more embarrassed by the large number of names presented, than by the difficulty of finding any. Every one of the names presented has been suggested by the personal interest and standing in the community which they have for their respective churches, and the Committee have been for many days in the difficulty of selecting from among them those who should situate the first board. Discriminations, where all were absolutely necessary, and in the opinion of the Committee have been amply justified by the circumstances given of personal interest and standing in the community, and of ability to represent in the meeting the views of the several churches of the City and the interest of the community interested in the establishment and particular character of an institution, viz.: the young merchants, clerks and mechanics, and professional men of Brooklyn.
The Committee have also thought it desirable that the first meeting should be one of conference and consultation, and that it should be held in the Lecture Room of the Church in which it contains. It is to their opinion that the gentlemen whose names will keep—and very good—and that in the first board indicated another which could be elected at the next meeting, and thereafter other boards, as a system for securing the benefit of all the talent and of the diversified interests of the community.
The Committee recommend the following gentlemen as a first board, viz.:

6 Dean-st.
Norman B. Sampson, merchant, No. 299 Washington-st., New-York. Home No. 126 Columbia-st.
H. Lansing Lambert, clerk with Mr. Lambert, No. 178 William-st., New-York. Home [illegible]
Charles H. Marshall, with Charles B. Marvin, No. 21 William-st., New-York. Home No. 69 Henry-st.
William T. Gallatly, Merchant, No. 178 William-st., New-York. House No. 220 Henry-st.
Gilbert L. Haight, clerk in American Exchange Bank, New-York. Home No. 61 State-st.
J. Lawrence Scudder, merchant, No. 25 Pine-st., New-York. Home No. 69 Clinton-place.
William B. Bliss, clerk with Bliss & Faxon, No. 46 Merchants' Exchange, New-York. Home No. 61 Hamilton-av.
For Directors of Election—Edward M. Broughton, J. Seeley Ward, James H. Skipper.
The election will take place at the Athenæum, West Rooms, Montague-st., Brooklyn. The polls will be open from 12 to 2 P. M., and from 4 to 9 P. M. Members are requested to subscribe the constitution and to pay the initiation fee and first dues, before voting. The Treasurer pro tem. Mr. Gould H. Stagg will be in attendance at the polls during the day.
BROOKLYN, Dec. 21, 1857.
JOHN E. RAYMOND,
JAMES ALLAN,
HENRY RIEMER,
J. LAWRENCE BUTLER,
LYMAN C. BURNHAM,
Nominating Committee.
BROOKLYN MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION.
The undersigned observe their names published in to-day's TIMES as candidates for office at the above Association, on a ticket headed HENRY LEVY, for President.
While they feel deeply sensible of the honor conferred upon them, and highly appreciate the kindness and good feeling of those gentlemen who have done them the honor to mention their names in so distinguished a connection, they feel it to be a duty which they owe to honorable men, to give notice that, having been no part of the ticket for THEIR names will be withdrawn from the ticket, unless they will accept independent ticket, from any connection with our movements in reference to the nominations.
BROOKLYN, Dec. 22, 1857.
CHAS. A. SPENCER,
D. P. McMULLEN,
C. GODEN,
E. W. BOUGHTON,
JNO. S. STANTON.
Committee.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW-YEAR.—Messrs. GOUPIL & CO. have published a beautiful embroidered satin ribbon, containing (in gold men.) and they in connection with Ladies' Home Book, and Children's Golden Book, are offering this elegant gift for the Holidays. J. E. RILEY & CO., No. 37 Cornhill.

NOTICE.—THE FIRST REGULAR MONTHLY Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Mercantile Library Association will be held at the Athenæum, Montague-st., on THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 24, at 7½ o'clock.
Dec. 22, 1857. FREDERICK C. FARLEY, Secretary.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE MERCANTILE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION OF BROOKLYN.—The members of Dr. GUILMETTE'S FOURTH CLASS are respectfully informed that Class will meet WEDNESDAY EVENING, Dec. 23, at 7½ o'clock, at No. 4 Union-square. By order, J. SMELLING, Sec'y.

REV. D. C. VAN NORMAN (LATE PRINCIPAL of Lenox Academy) will receive Boarding and Day Pupils (male or female) of Young Ladies at No. 70 East 16th-st., near Broadway. His prospectus may be obtained by personal or written application.

MASONIC NOTICE.—THE MEMBERS OF Henry Clay Lodge, No. 270, F. A. M., are hereby summoned to attend the Lodge THIS NIGHT, for the election of officers, and to transact other business.
By order, WILLIAM HANIGAN, W. M.
W. Jessie, Sec.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE.—MECHANICS' HALL.—WEDNESDAY.—Dec. 23, at 7½ o'clock, Prof. Jas. Cochrane will lecture on Astronomy. Strangers are kindly welcome. Admission free to all.
H. REGG, Secretary.

AUCTION SALES.

SAMUEL OSGOOD, Auctioneer.

PEREMPTORY AUCTION SALE OF SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, ROSEWOOD COTTAGE PIANO-FORTE, FRENCH PLATE PIER MIRRORS, &c.

SAMUEL OSGOOD & CO., Auctioneers,

will sell, at their store, No. 59 Walker-st., near Broadway, THIS DAY (Wednesday) at 10½ o'clock, the whole of the furniture of a family declining housekeeping, comprising in part the following, viz:

Rosewood cottage piano-forte, by Firth, Pond & Co.; rosewood sofa, centre and other tables, mantel and pier mirrors; two superb carved rosewood parlor suites, in hair cloth; elegant rosewood bedsteads, with marble tops and plate doors; elegant decorated China vases, marble figures and groups, rich lace curtains, marble-mantle ormolu clocks, Turkish and other easy chairs, ottomans, rosewood sofa, centre and other tables, mahogany bedsteads, bureaus, stands, couches, chairs, carpets, cribs, sofas, 10 fine curled hair mattresses, blankets, beds and bedding, and a fine variety of desirable household articles. Descriptive catalogues now ready, and will be sent to parties desirous of examining the goods previous to the morning of sale. Sale commences at 10½ A. M., precisely. For full particulars see the Herald.

EDWARD SCHENCK, Auctioneer.

IMPORTER'S SALE OF WATCHES, BY E. & T. H. SCHENCK, on WEDNESDAY, 23d inst., at 11 o'clock, at the salesroom No. 33 Nassau-st., an importer's entire stock of gold and silver watches. They consist, in part, of superb gold hunting and open-face English patent lever watches, full-jeweled, gold and enamelled levers, with chronometer and duplex watches, fine ruby-jeweled and expansion balances, all eighteen-carat, gold cases; gold hunting double-time centre second-timing watches; also, a splendid assortment of ladies' gold hunting and open-face watches, gold cap, fine ruby-jeweled, all steel, and rich engraved cases, from the best makers in Europe; also, a large assortment of silver watches, full-jeweled, lever watches, silver hunting and open-faced cylinder escapement watches. These watches will be sold without reserve, or any regard to the cost of importation.

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The Duke of Buckingham's sterling silver, being the entire chest of county sterling silver purchased at the sale of his effects, warranted; consisting of a large and massive silver tureen and cover, large silver tea urn and top, tea and coffee set, tea caddy, salad bowl, sugar basin, cruet frame, &c. &c. knife and fork, soup ladle, a large quantity of table, dessert, gravy and tea spoons, sauce ladles, fruit knives, sugar lifters, butter knives, caddy spoons, table and dessert forks, fruit forks, salt spoons, sugar scoops, sugar tongs, scissors, &c.

Every article is of the most elegant description and solid sterling silver, together with the oak, iron-bound, silver chest. It is now on exhibition at our office.

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HENRY H. LEEDS & CO. WILL SELL at auction on THURSDAY, Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, at the salesroom No. 39 Nassau-st.,

IMPORTER'S SALE OF FINE WATCHES, &c.—The finest assortment of first-class goods offered at auction this season, to be sold without reserve, consisting of fine gold hunting English patent, full-jeweled, gold and expansion balance; Duplex and chronometer watches, detached levers and cylinders, escapement, 4, 8 and 12 holes of extra jewels. Also, silver hunting, English patent, levers, escapement, gold and expansion balance, full-jeweled, etc.; silver swing levers, detached levers and cylinder watches, 4, 8 and 12 holes jeweled; all of which will be guaranteed, to be so described on the catalogue on the morning of sale.

HENRY B. HEBERT, Jr., Auctioneer.

HEBERT & MOSS WILL SELL, ON THURSDAY, Dec. 24, at 10½ o'clock, at the Salesrooms No. 5½ Pine-st., large sale of Groceries, Wines, Liquors and Cigars, to which the attention of grocers and others is invited. Comprising in part 5 pipes and half pipes old brandy; 5 pipes and half pipes old Otard, Dupuy & Co.'s pale and dark cognac brandies; 5 pipes and half pipes old Jules Robin & Co.'s pale and dark cognac brandies; 5 pipes and half pipes old Martell's pale and dark cognac brandies; 5 pipes and half pipes old Hennessy's pale and dark cognac brandies; 5 pipes and half pipes old Castillon & Co.'s pale and dark cognac brandies

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN. CORRESPONDENCE &c.

Meeting of the Special Committee—Charges Disposed of—Ample Postponement of the Investigation.

The Special Committee appointed specially to investigate certain matters connected with the City Inspector's office, met yesterday afternoon in the Common Council Chamber in pursuance of the following resolution, offered by Alderman Kelly, and adopted by the Board of Aldermen on the 17th inst.:

Resolved, That the Committee appointed to investigate the charges against the City Inspector, be and they are hereby authorized to send for persons and papers, and to examine witnesses under oath, in relation to the matters referred to them.

Alderman KELLY—Mr. President, I move that the Committee proceed to the investigation of the charges against the City Inspector.

Alderman BLAKE—Mr. President, I move that the Committee do now adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Thursday next, when I am informed that the Commissioner of Public Works will be present.

Alderman KELLY—I object to that motion. I am ready to proceed with the investigation now, and I am informed that the Commissioner of Public Works will be present at 11 o'clock.

Alderman BLAKE—Mr. President, I move that the Committee do now adjourn to meet at 11 o'clock on Thursday next, when I am informed that the Commissioner of Public Works will be present.

The motion was carried, Aldermen McCONNELL and BLAKE voting in the negative.

The Committee then adjourned to meet at 11 o'clock on Thursday next.

BOARD OF ASSISTANTS—ACTION ON THE RESOLUTION OF CENSURE.

The Board of Assistants met at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, President CORNELL in the Chair. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Assistant Alderman MORRISON presented a petition from citizens of the Eighth Ward, praying for the appointment of a Police Commissioner for that Ward. Referred to the Committee on Police.

Assistant Alderman HARRIS